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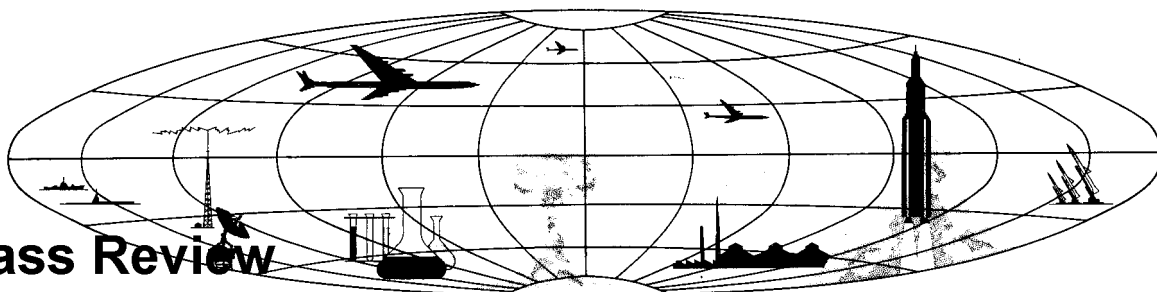
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25X1D An ICBM launch complex under construction has been identified about 35 nautical miles (nm) northeast of Tomsk on KEYHOLE photography dated [REDACTED]. To date it is the fourth deployed ICBM launch complex identified from KEYHOLE photography. The others are near Yur'ya 1/, 2/, Yoshkar-Ola 3/, and Verkhnyaya Salda 4/; a possible ICBM site is near Kostroma 5/ (Figure 1).

25X1D The complex (Figure 2) consists of a Yur'ya-type launch area (56-58N 85-33E) and a road- and rail-served complex support facility (56-50N 85-36E). The complex support facility is located north of and adjacent to the town of Itatka, which is on the rail line midway between Tomsk and Asino.

25X1D There was no evidence of the complex on TALENT mission [REDACTED] of
25X1D [REDACTED] or as late as KEYHOLE [REDACTED] both
25X1D of which are cloud free in this area. A study of the [REDACTED]
25X1D [REDACTED] coverages indicates that [REDACTED] the construction
25X1D of the complex had progressed to a point where a launch area was identifiable. Accordingly, based on comparative coverage and construction status of this and other complexes, this configuration of ICBM launch complexes has been in the process of being deployed throughout the Soviet Union since [REDACTED]

25X1D No SAM sites are noted defending the complex although cloud cover in the area might preclude their identification. In addition, the early stage of construction could mean that a SAM defense has not yet been deployed.

The launch area (Figure 3) conforms to the same basic configuration as noted at launch areas at other deployed ICBM complexes. The early stage of construction and cloud haze preclude identification of individual items. However, the separation between launch pad areas is about 1,000 feet, the orientation is approximately 10 degrees from north, the center road is offset, and clearings for missile-ready buildings are visible.

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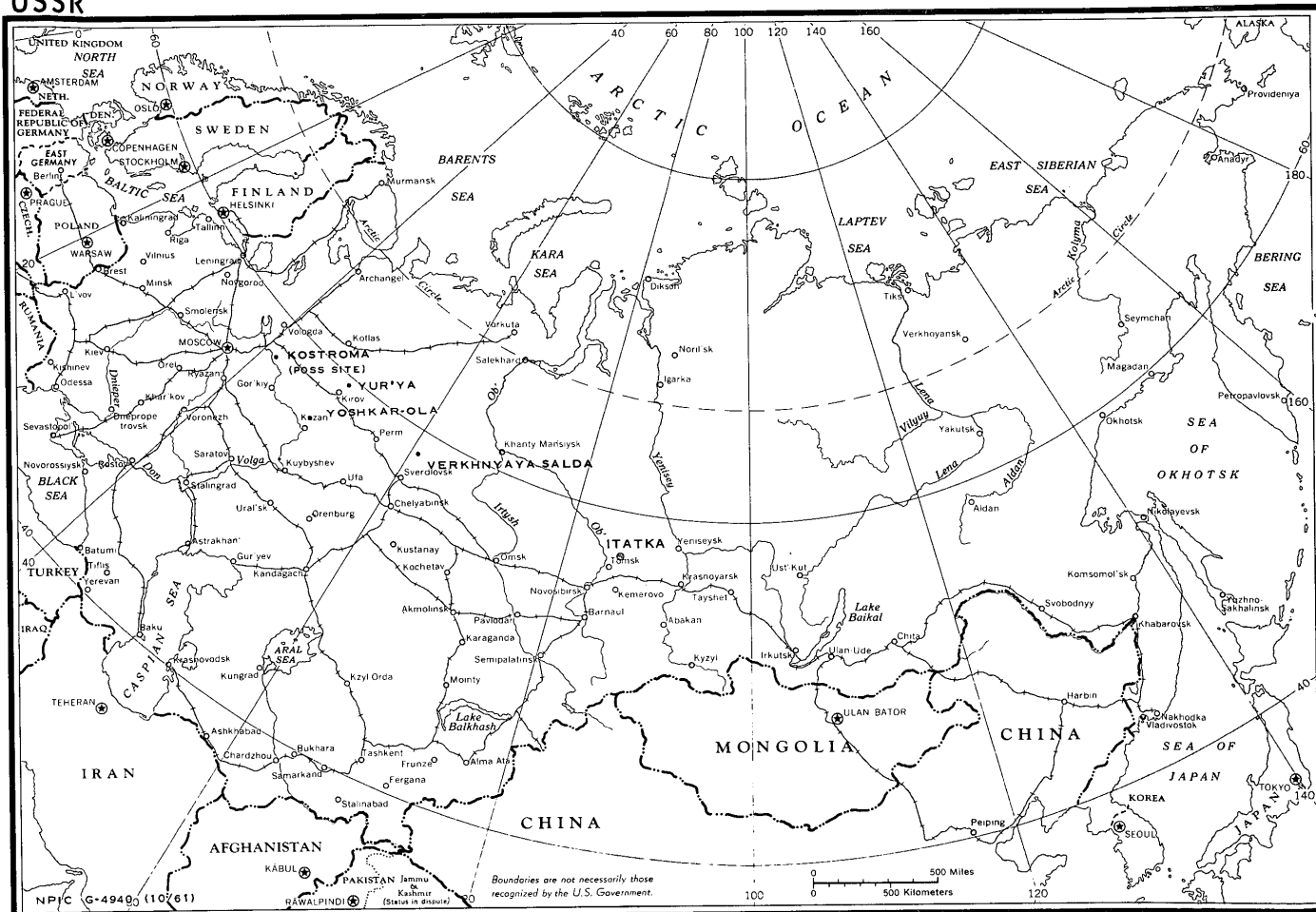


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF ITATKA LAUNCH COMPLEX IN RELATION TO OTHER ICBM LAUNCH COMPLEXES.
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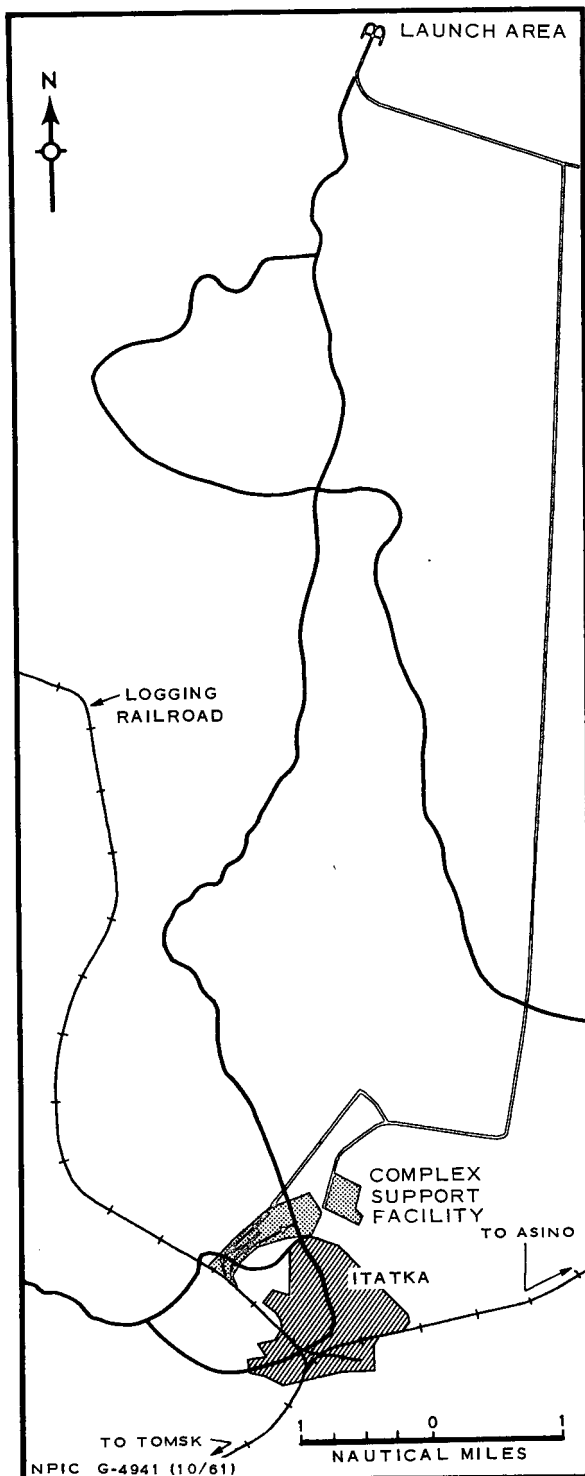


FIGURE 2. ICBM LAUNCH COMPLEX, ITATKA USSR.
The red overprint shows those items new since [REDACTED]

Scarring about 3,000 feet to the rear of the launch area indicates the probable location of a launch support area. The launch area is connected to the complex support facility by an improved road, new since [REDACTED] 25X1D a point where this road turns west to serve the launch area, a short eastward extension is visible, an indication that other launch areas are planned in that general direction.

The complex support facility (Figure 4) consists of an incomplete barracks area containing at least 20 structures and a rail-served area of activity which may contain at least four terminal rail spurs, open and covered storage, and a possible rail-to-road transfer point. The rail line serving this facility conveniently utilizes a portion of a logging railroad which was observed on photography of [REDACTED] 25X1D

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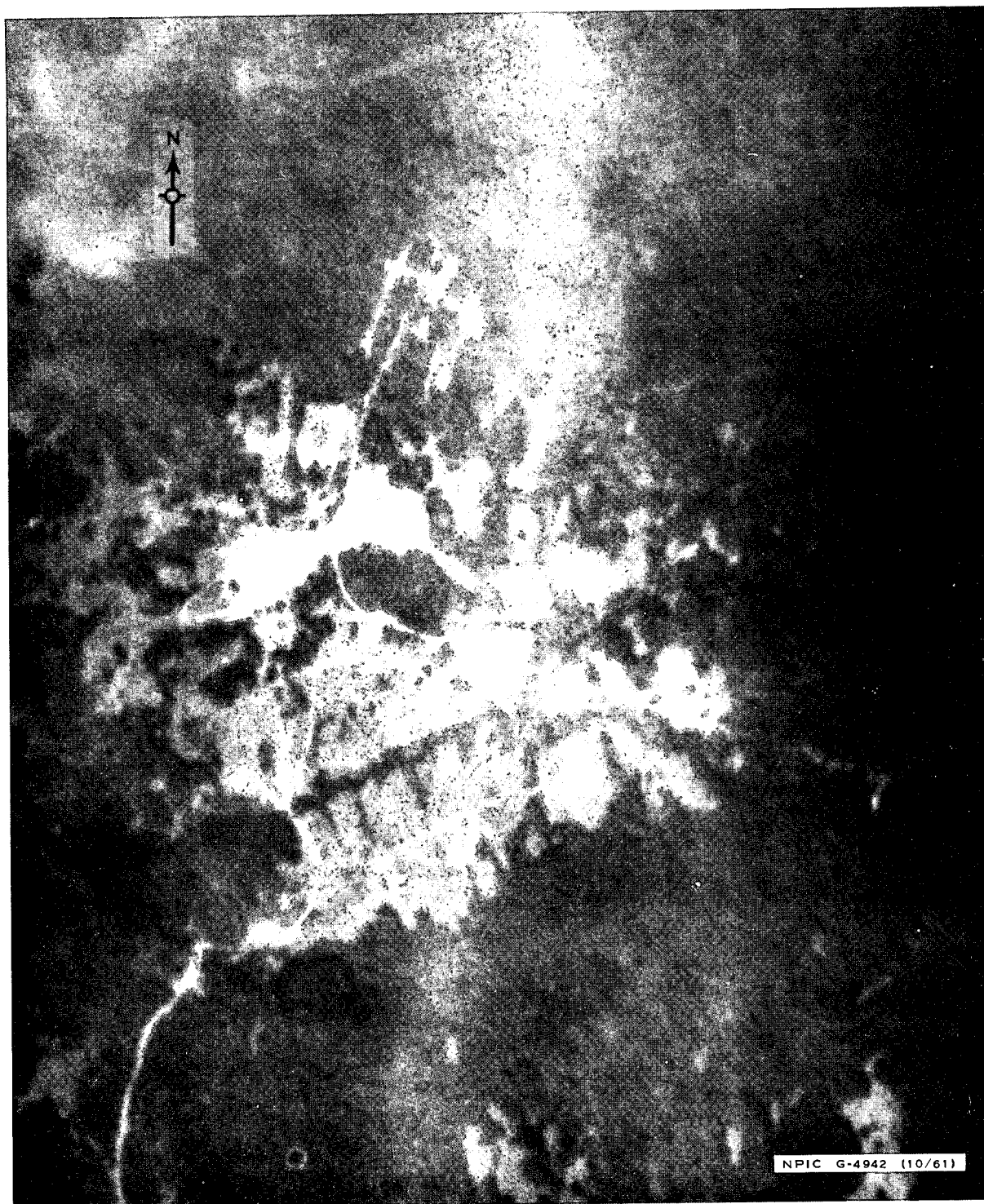


FIGURE 3. LAUNCH AREA. [REDACTED]

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FIGURE 4. COMPLEX SUPPORT FACILITY AND VILLAGE OF ITATKA.

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